

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8871–S9016

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3086–3095, S. Res. 359, and S. Con. Res. 138. **Page S8941**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the development of educational programs on veterans' contributions to the country and the designation of the week that includes Veterans Day as "National Veterans Awareness Week" for the presentation of such educational programs.

S. 785, for the relief of Frances Schochenmaier, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1314, to establish a grant program to assist State and local law enforcement in deterring, investigating, and prosecuting computer crimes.

S. 2778, to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal.

S. 2811, to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to make communities with high levels of out-migration or population loss eligible for community facilities grants.

S. Con. Res. 135, recognizing the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975. **Page S8941**

Measures Passed:

Beaches Environmental Awareness, Cleanup, and Health Act: Senate passed H.R. 999, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages S8988–92, S8998

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4174, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8998**

Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act: Senate passed S. 522, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of beaches and coastal recreation water, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8998–S9003**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4175, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9000**

Veterans Claims and Appeals Procedures Clarification and Improvement Act: Senate passed S. 1810, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and improve compensation and pension, education, housing loan, insurance, and other benefits for veterans, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9003–09**

Next Generation Internet Act: Senate passed S. 2046, to reauthorize the Next Generation Internet Act, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9009–13**

Smith (of N.H.) (for Frist/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 4176, to increase the Federal investment in civilian research and development. **Pages S8992–97, S9013**

Water Resources Development Act: Senate began consideration of S. 2796, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8885–S8907, S8916–29**

Adopted:

Smith (of N.H.)/Baucus Amendment No. 4164, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8901–03**

Smith (of N.H.) (for Helms) Amendment No. 4166, to direct the Corps of Engineers to give expedited consideration to the completion of a study on renourishment of certain beaches in North Carolina. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Smith (NH) (for Gorton) Amendment No. 4167, to provide the Corps of Engineers the authority to accept and expend funds provided by public entities to process permit required by federal environmental statutes. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Reed) Amendment No. 4168, to provide that the Secretary shall conduct a survey to determine the project deficiencies and identify the necessary measures to restore the project for Cliff Walk

in Newport, Rhode Island to meet its authorized purpose. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Reed) Amendment No. 4169, to provide that the Secretary shall conduct a reconnaissance study to determine the Federal interest in dredging the Quonset Point navigation channel in Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Conrad/Dorgan) Amendment No. 4170, to provide assistance for efforts to protect and improve the Missouri River in the State of North Dakota. **Pages S8929, S8986**

Baucus (for Torricelli) Amendment No. 4171, to direct the Secretary of the Army to establish a program to market dredged material. **Pages S8929, S8987**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4172, to make a certain technical correction. **Pages S8929, S8988**

Smith (of N.H.) Amendment No. 4173, to provide for National Academy of Sciences studies. **Pages S8929–30, S8988**

Rejected:

By 24 yeas to 71 nays (Vote No. 254), Warner/Voinovich Amendment No. 4165, to require payment by non-Federal interests of certain operation and maintenance costs. **Pages S8916–29**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Monday, September 25, 2000, with a vote on final passage of the bill to occur at 4:50 p.m. **Pages S9013–14**

Nominations Discharged: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of the following nominations, and that they be placed on the calendar:

Luis J. Lauro, of Florida, to be Permanent Representative of the United States to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador; and

Mark L. Schneider, of California, to be Director of the Peace Corps. **Page S8941**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Navy.

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Messages From the House: **Pages S8939–40**

Measures Referred: **Page S8940**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S8871**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S8938–39**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S8998**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—254) **Pages S8928–29**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:15 p.m., until 10:00 a.m., on Friday, September 22, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S8928–29.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GLOBAL WARMING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain solutions or approaches to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein; Ann R. Mesnikoff, Sierra Club, and Norman J. Rosenberg, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, both of Washington, D.C.; Jeff Morgheim, British Petroleum, Houston, Texas; Fredrick D. Palmer, Western Fuels Association, Inc., Arlington, Virginia; and Joseph Romm, Center for Energy and Climate Solutions, Annandale, Virginia.

ENERGY POLICY ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation concluded hearings on S. 2933, to amend provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 relating to remedial action of uranium and thorium processing sites, after receiving testimony from James J. Fiore, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Energy for Site Closure, Environmental Management.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee began markup of the following bills: H.R. 2496, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994, H.R. 4320, to assist in the conservation of great apes by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of countries within the range of great apes and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of great apes, H.R. 3671, to amend the Acts popularly known as the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act to enhance the funds available for grants to States for fish and wildlife conservation projects and increase opportunities for recreational hunting, bow hunting,